



DIVISION OF  
CORPORATION FINANCE

UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

September 30, 2013

Via Facsimile

Alton D. Heckaman, Jr.  
Chief Financial Officer  
Swift Energy Company  
16825 Northchase Drive, Suite 400  
Houston, TX 77060

**Re: Swift Energy Company  
Form 10-K for Fiscal Year Ended  
December 31, 2012  
Filed February 22, 2013  
File No. 001-08754**

Dear Mr. Heckaman:

We have completed our review of your filing. We remind you that our comments or changes to disclosure in response to our comments do not foreclose the Commission from taking any action with respect to the company or the filing and the company may not assert staff comments as a defense in any proceeding initiated by the Commission or any person under the federal securities laws of the United States. We urge all persons who are responsible for the accuracy and adequacy of the disclosure in the filing to be certain that the filing include the information the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and all applicable rules require.

Sincerely,

/s/ Brad Skinner

Brad Skinner  
Senior Assistant Chief Accountant